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Applicants: Yoshifumi ADACHI et al.
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Examiner: Karuna Reddy
For: WATER ABSORBENT RESIN COMPOSITION AND
PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.133(b)

Sir:

In response to the Interview Summaries mailed on October 21, 2009 and October 30, 2009, the following Statement of the Substance of Interview is respectfully submitted in response to the telephonic interviews conducted on October 20, 2009 and October 27, 2009, respectively, between Examiner Karuna Reddy and Applicants' representative, Crystal Wilson (Reg. No. 61,730).

During the October 20, 2009 Interview, the Examiner proposed amending claims 7-9 and 23. In particular, the Examiner proposed amending independent claim 23 to recite "...a multivalent metal component, wherein an extraction rate of the multivalent metal component around the surface of said particulate water absorbent resin is 7.6 wt % to 14.8 wt %. The Examiner also proposed amending independent claims 7, 8 and 9 to recite "an extraction rate of the multivalent metal

component around the surface of said particulate water absorbent resin is 7.6 wt % to 14.8 wt %." The Examiner further proposed amending independent claim 8 to recite "a concentration of the multivalent metal component contained in a mixed solution including the solution of the aqueous multivalent metal compound (B) and the organic surface cross-linking agent (C) is at least 1.80 wt %."

During the October 27, 2009 Interview, Applicants accepted the Examiner's proposed claim amendments.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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